

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

No. 2671

17 March 1965

Dear Chris,

Frederick SCHWEND

Please refer to your CP/4965 of 18 February 1965.

SCHWEND was born 6 November 1906 in Bockingen (Wurtemberg) Germany. He was an engineer who had been engaged in import/export and had had financial interests in Latin America, United States, Italy and Germany. Both he and his wife were registered Nazi party members as of January 1932. In 1944 he was director of the European financial operations of R.S.E.A. and in the spring 1945 he was arrested by CIC. His interrogation was turned over to OCS who questioned him from July to November 1945 on his knowledge of personalities and activities of R.S.E.A. He was subsequently released and in April 1947 immigrated to Peru under an assumed name.

As of 1953 SCHWEND was employed by the Volkswagen Distributors in Lima and resided at Vitarte, KM 17.

As indicated above, SCHWEND's statement that he had been secretly taken out of Germany by this Agency in 1946 and had subsequently worked for us is quite false. We have no operational interest in SCHWEND and believe your Head Office was well advised in recommending that your Lima Station have nothing to do with this man.

Sincerely yours,

Christopher Phillips, Esq.

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCES METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2001 2006

EXEMPTIONS Section 3(b)
(2)(A) Privacy ☐
(2)(B) Methods/Sources ☒
(2)(G) Foreign Relations ☐

SECRET

Declassified and Approved for Release
by the Central Intelligence Agency
Date: 2001

NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT

103